



Wisconsin Medicaid Fact Sheet

Tuberculosis-Related Services Only Benefit

What is the Tuberculosis-Related (TR) Benefit?

The TR Benefit is a subprogram of the Wisconsin Medicaid program that covers outpatient medical expenses for the treatment of tuberculosis (TB) infection or TB disease.

How does a person qualify for Medicaid coverage for TB?

To qualify for Medicaid coverage for TB a person must meet certain income and asset requirements. For an individual the income limit is \$1,175 (monthly gross) and the asset limit is \$2,000 or less.

In addition, to meeting income and asset requirements, the person applying for the benefit must meet one of the following:

- Infected with latent or active TB.
- Positive TB skin test.
- Negative TB skin test, but a positive sputum culture for the TB organism.
- Negative test for TB, but a physician certifies (in writing) that TB-related drug therapy or surgical therapy or both are required.
- A physician certifies (in writing) that a test is required to confirm the presence or absence of TB.

What Medicaid services are covered under the TR Benefit?

The TR Benefit will cover ONLY services directly related to the treatment of TB. These include:

- Physician services.
- Prescribed drugs.
- Laboratory and x-ray services.
- Clinic services and federally qualified health care center (FQHC) services.
- Targeted case management services.
- Services, other than room and board, designed to encourage completion of regimens of prescribed drugs by outpatients.
- Services that are necessary as a result of the side effects of prescribed drugs for TB treatment.

For More Information Contact:

- Your local public health department.
- The county/tribal social or human services, W-2 agency or the Medicaid outstation site in your county.
- Recipient Services at 1-800-362-3002 (TTY and translation services are available).

Information provided in this document is general. To find out more detailed information regarding the Tuberculosis-Related Services Benefit, please contact your local county/tribal social or human service department.

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